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Honorable Edward I. Koch  
House of Representatives  
Washington, D. C. 20515

Dear Mr. Koch:

This is in response to your letter dated March 30, 1971.

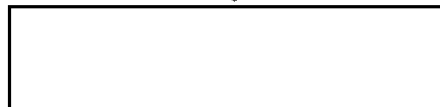
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I trust that the above serves the purposes of your inquiry.

Sincerely,



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Legislative Counsel

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